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**CH2M HILL Hanford Group brings nuclear services veteran David Amerine on management team as new executive vice president and deputy general manager**

RICHLAND, Wash.— David Amerine, an executive with 30 years of management experience in the nuclear services industry, has accepted an offer from CH2M HILL Hanford Group Inc. to join the company as executive vice president and deputy general manager.

Amerine will join CH2M HILL on August 19, 2002. In his new role, he will have primary responsibilities in operations, projects, engineering, business management and environmental, safety, health, and quality.

“We are pleased to welcome David to CH2M HILL Hanford Group. With his experience, record of success, and proven leadership, he rounds out the management team we have been putting together to move forward in accomplishing our mission of accelerated cleanup of the Hanford tank wastes,” said CH2M HILL Hanford Group President and General manager Ed Aromi.

Amerine comes to CH2M HILL Hanford Group from Washington Group International, where he served as executive vice president of its business unit, Washington Government, in Aiken, S.C. His responsibilities at Washington Government included integrated safety management, conduct of operations, startup test programs, and synergies between operating companies and divisions.

A U.S. Naval Academy graduate who served as an officer aboard two nuclear submarines, Amerine began his civilian nuclear services career with Westinghouse Hanford Company in the 1970s, working in management roles at the U.S. Department of Energy’s Hanford Fast Flux Test Facility (FFTF).

Aromi said Amerine’s experience working at both of the DOE sites with tanks holding the majority of the nation’s radioactive defense production wastes – Hanford and the Savannah River Site near Aiken, S.C. – will make him particularly valuable as CH2M HILL moves forward in its mission.

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Amerine served from January 1990 until September 1997 in several key management positions with the Westinghouse Savannah River Company. His accomplishments while at Savannah River included leading a special task team to resolve a significant technical problem with the In-Tank Precipitation facility and serving as program manager of the Defense Waste Processing Facility, successfully leading the effort to recover its startup schedule. He also served as program manager of the Savannah River Replacement Tritium Facility, where he was responsible for all activities including construction, design, startup, operations, and maintenance. His last position with Westinghouse Savannah River Company was as deputy vice president for the High Level Waste Management Division, a 2,500-person organization with a \$500 million annual budget responsible for processing 35 Million gallons of radioactive waste into a stable form of glass and cement.

In the 1980s, Amerine worked in the commercial nuclear industry for Centerior Energy as director of its nuclear services department in Independence, Ohio; Toledo Edison as assistant vice president nuclear power at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station near Port Clinton, Ohio; and Combustion Engineering, Inc. as the site manager of Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station near Phoenix, Arizona. He joined Washington Government in January 2000 after serving as vice president of engineering and Services at the Northeast Utilities Millstone Station in Waterford, Conn.

In addition to a bachelor of science in nuclear physics and mathematics from the Naval Academy, Amerine received a master's degree in management science from the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School and a master of business administration from the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program.

In coming to CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Amerine joins a team of senior managers assembled to allow the company to move forward in its mission of accelerating tank waste cleanup.

"In the past year, we have organized CH2M HILL Hanford Group to meet the demands of accelerated tank cleanup," said Aromi. "By filling key positions with personnel who bring a breadth and depth of experience to this project, we are poised to move forward in working with our Department of Energy customer to retrieve and dispose of Hanford tank waste and close the tanks."

Aromi came to CH2M HILL Hanford Group in August 2001 as executive vice president and chief operating officer and was appointed president and general manager in March 2002. Prior to joining CH2M HILL, Aromi had most recently served as president and general manager of Duratek Federal Services and also as vice president of Fluor Hanford's Waste Management Project. Aromi came to

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the DOE project at Hanford in 1996, following a long career in leadership and management roles in several large commercial environmental operations and projects.

Dale Allen, senior vice president of operations, has been serving as acting deputy general manager. Allen has nearly four decades of diverse managerial and technical experience, including serving as the contractor site manager of DOE's Y-12 Plant in Oak Ridge, Tenn., and working in the commercial nuclear fuel enrichment industry as general manager of the Portsmouth (Ohio) Gaseous Diffusion Plant. His experience also includes working in the State of Illinois Highway Engineering Department and serving as an engineering officer in the United States Navy.

John McDonald, vice president of operations, came to CH2M HILL Hanford Group in September 2001 from his role as plant manager of the Cooper Nuclear Station in Nebraska. McDonald has more than 23 years of experience in nuclear operations including the Columbia Generating Station, known then as Washington Nuclear Power-2 plant.

John Fulton, senior vice president of environmental, safety, health, and quality, joined CH2M HILL Hanford Group in October 2001. Fulton had previously served as vice president for nuclear operations for contractor Kaiser-Hill at the DOE Rocky Flats Site. Fulton started his career in the nuclear field in the 1970s at the Hanford Site, with assignments at B-Plant, Tank Farms, the Plutonium Finishing Plant, Spent Nuclear Fuels, and K-Basins. Fulton's Tank Farm experience included the identification and definition of Priority 1 waste tank safety issues and the development of programs to resolve those issues.

Joel Eacker, vice president of Projects, joined CH2M HILL Hanford Group in February 2002, coming from his former position as president of Duratek Technical Services at Hanford. Prior to joining Duratek, Eacker held a variety of engineering, operations, and project management positions with former Hanford prime contractor Westinghouse Hanford, including work in tank farm engineering and environmental compliance, technical assistance to DOE headquarters in Germantown, Md., and liquid effluent projects and program management.

In November 2001, a new CH2M HILL Hanford Group organization called Mission Analysis and Technology Integration was created to help the DOE Office of River Protection reach its accelerated cleanup goals. Ryan Dodd is leading the organization after several years of experience in managing tank farm projects and operations initiatives. Specifically, the organization is looking at accelerating closure of the tanks, including using a risk-based approach for supplementing Hanford's

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waste treatment plant (vitrification facility) with other treatment methods.

David Lowe, chief engineer, came to CH2M HILL Hanford Group in April 2001 from the Rocky Flats Site, where he had served as the DOE assistant manager for engineering and acting deputy site manager. Prior to Rocky Flats, Lowe had served as assistant director for process engineering with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

Pat Hickerson, vice president of human resources, communications, and community programs, joined the company in May 2001 and is a retired Army major general who directed all aspects of human resource management and administration for the largest military command in the United States.

Dan Cartmell, vice president of business services and chief financial officer, joined CH2M HILL Hanford Group April 2002 and has worked at the Hanford site for more than 20 years. Cartmell had previously worked for Fluor Hanford as the director of business management and integration of the River Corridor Project. Cartmell also worked for B&W Hanford Company as the director of facilities stabilization project integration.

Stan Bensussen, general counsel, has over 26 years of legal experience representing environmental restoration, engineering, nuclear energy and architect engineer/construction management companies. Prior to joining CH2M HILL Hanford Group in June 2000, Bensussen was general counsel for Kaiser-Hill at the DOE Rocky Flats Site.

CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc. is the Department of Energy's Office of River Protection prime contractor with responsibility for retrieving for treatment and disposing of approximately 53 million gallons of radioactive and hazardous waste stored in 177 underground tanks. It is part of the CH2M HILL family of employee-owned companies that provides engineering, construction, operations, and related technical services to public and private clients in numerous industries. The firm's work is concentrated in the areas of water, energy, environment, transportation, telecommunications, construction, and industrial facilities. CH2M HILL has more than 10,000 employees in 165 offices worldwide.

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